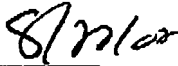


7. Applicant elects Species I and respectfully asserts that Examiner-designated Species II is part of Species I and is therefore "elected" as well. Furthermore, Applicant requests consideration of Species III as described.

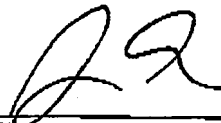
Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 1-9, 12-16, 20, 22-24, 25-31, 34-38, 40, 42, 45 and 46 are in fact generic. Claims 10, 11, 18, 32, and 33 correspond to the selected species.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable action on the merits. Should any issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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